

MINUTES

**CITY OF IMPERIAL BEACH
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IMPERIAL BEACH REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY SUCCESSOR AGENCY**

JULY 19, 2017

**Council Chambers
825 Imperial Beach Boulevard
Imperial Beach, CA 91932**

REGULAR MEETING & CLOSED SESSION – 6:00 P.M.

REGULAR MEETING CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Dedina called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers present: West, Patton, Spriggs
Councilmembers absent: None
Mayor Pro Tem Present: Bragg
Mayor Present: Dedina
Staff Present: City Manager Hall, City Attorney Lyon, City Clerk Kelly, Assistant City Manager Dush, Administrative Services Director Bradley, Emergency Services Coordinator Roberts, City Planner Foltz

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Fleet Reserve Association Branch 289.

AGENDA CHANGES

None.

MAYOR/COUNCIL REIMBURSEMENT DISCLOSURE/COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS/REPORTS ON ASSIGNMENTS AND COMMITTEES

Councilmember Spriggs announced the opening of Grocery Outlet, spoke about the success of the Sun and Sea Festival, and reported on his attendance at the League of California Cities Coastal Cities Issues Group in Monterey. He noted that the number one concern of the Group is the California Coastal Commission not overstretching its jurisdiction to impose a one-size-fits-all solution on all cities in the coastal zone. He announced sea level rise guidelines for the state of California are being revised and that at the same time the City is working on its own sea level rise plan with respect to a Local Coastal Plan (LCP) amendment. He also reported on visiting the Scripps Institute of Oceanography where he spent time with the plume tracking team.

Councilmember Patton thanked the coordinators of the Sun and Sea Festival, Leah Goodwin and Shirley Nakawatase, for a successful event. On the same day he participated in two parades and volunteered by parking cars at Mar Vista High School for the swim and water polo teams. He announced the recent soft serve opening of Baskin Robbins and their upcoming grand opening this weekend. He thanked the Kiwanis Club for the City Employee Appreciation Lunch and announced their upcoming Stuff the Bus with school supplies event. He also spoke about attending the South Bay Union School District Opening Day with the Mayor and announced the upcoming Chili Cook-off in which he will be a participating on July 26.

Councilmember West reported on his attendance at the Sun and Sea and Pride events, attending the Underserved Vets with Pets Pet Food Drive, a movie night at Luigi's Pizza along with the Clean Water Movement, the 4th of July Bicycle Parade and the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony at Jersey Mikes. He also announced the upcoming events: a picnic honoring the 69th Anniversary of the United Methodist Church on July 22nd, the Surf Dog Competition on July 29th, and the Clean Cities Initiative on August 5th.

Mayor Pro Tem Bragg revealed the Scallywag Trophy the City Council float won during the Sun and Sea Parade and recognized Dave Clark, his family and his neighbors for their efforts on building the float. She spoke about the success of the 9th and Palm Project, attending the Mayor's Breakfast and she thanked the Historical Society for displaying photos of the former Mayors of Imperial Beach.

Mayor Dedina reported on the success of the stores located at 9th and Palm, he announced the upcoming California Surf Lifesaving Championship and the Jr. Lifeguard State Championship at Silver Strand State Beach. He, along with Councilmember Patton, will present a Proclamation proclaiming Jr. Lifeguard Day. He reported on his attendance at a water quality meeting with Chris Helmer and top officials with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). He spoke about how the EPA does not have the leadership or funding to fix the sewage problems. He also reported on a meeting he had with the Smart Border Coalition in Tijuana regarding the sewage problem. He thanked staff and the community for their efforts on the Mayor's Breakfast and for participating in the Swim, Paddle and Walk events. He spoke about being in the Command Center with Sheriff's Lt. Magana during Sun and Sea Festival and was thankful that it was a fun and safe event. He also recognized Ed Vea for organizing City Council's presence at the Pride Parade.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY STAFF

City Manager Hall thanked the Kiwanis Club for hosting the Employee Appreciation Lunch.

Natural Resources Director Helmer reported the City recently received the American Public Works Association's Project of the Year Award from for the recently completed alley project and he announced construction has commenced for the last batch of unpaved alleys.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jack Van Zandt spoke in opposition to the litigation against the oil companies because he is concerned about increased costs. He questioned if the City can spend time and resources on something else rather than litigation.

Ronald Short stated he and his neighbors are concerned about the noise and invasion of privacy from the patrons of the Cross Fit business located at Silver Strand Blvd. He spoke of their desire for peace and quiet and suggested the patrons of the business use the commercial corridors rather than the residential zones.

PRESENTATIONS (1.1-1.2)

1.1 PRESENTATION ON THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO'S VECTOR CONTROL PROGRAM. (0240-50)

Chris Conlan, Supervising Vector Ecologist, with the County of San Diego Vector Control Program, gave a PowerPoint presentation on the item. In response to questions of City Council, he spoke about the importance of eliminating backyard breeding, educating the public by participating in public events and by visiting the Program's website. He also spoke about County Staff being ready to address issues after high tide events.

Maria "Lupe" Stawarz stated that she reached out to Vector Control about a problem she is experiencing with squirrels but was referred to other agencies. She asked what she can do to address her problem with squirrels.

Mr. Conlan responded that Vector Control can only take an advisory role when it comes to squirrels. It is up to the property owner to decide the course of action.

In response to further questions from City Council, Mr. Conlan stated that presentations are given at schools and with regard to flooding in the South Bay, they treat all locations within 48 hours of a tidal event.

**1.2 SURFRIDER FOUNDATION PRESENTATION ON “THE CARBON CONNECTION.”
(0230-20)**

Co-Chair Adam Junod and Policy Manager Julia Chunn-Heer, Surfrider Foundation, gave a PowerPoint presentation on the item, noting the need to address the water/energy nexus in Climate Action Planning.

Mayor Dedina said the City will have a Climate Action Plan as part of the LCP update. He noted that Imperial Beach is experiencing the impacts of sea level rise and climate change with frequent climate instability such as the City experiencing the highest winds recently, the largest southern hemisphere storms with coastal erosion, the hottest temperatures reported in history, significant changes to the coastline, and the most significant flooding along our beachfront, estuary and bay front. He spoke about the need to work with the legislature to ensure cities with a 25% poverty rate get funding to help deal with emissions and climate impacts.

CONSENT CALENDAR (2.1-2.13)

Baron Partlow commented that the International Boundary and Water Commission (IBWC) is not required to take minutes and post them on their website. He asked Councilmember Spriggs if he can get an update from the IBWC on what they are doing about the sewage issues on their upcoming agenda.

Ginger Sacco reported on recent efforts to address the sewage issue.

MOTION BY SPRIGGS, SECOND BY BRAGG, TO APPROVE CONSENT CALENDAR ITEM NOS. 2.1 THROUGH 2.13. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2.1 MINUTES.

City Council approved the Special Meeting Minutes of June 21, 2017 and June 27, 2017.

2.2 RATIFICATION OF WARRANT REGISTER. (0300-25)

City Council ratified the warrant register.

2.3 RECEIVE MAY 2017 TREASURER’S REPORT. (0300-90)

The City Council received the monthly Treasurer’s report.

2.4 RESOLUTION NO. 2017-7832 AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH QUALITY CODE PUBLISHING TO CONTINUE TO PROVIDE ONGOING CODIFICATION SERVICE TO THE CITY. (0460-10)

Adopted Resolution No. 2017-7832.

2.5 NOTIFICATION OF TRAVEL AND DESIGNATION OF VOTING DELEGATE AND ALTERNATE(S) FOR LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES ANNUAL CONFERENCE: SEPTEMBER 13 – SEPTEMBER 15, 2017. (0140-10 & 0410-60)

1. City Council designated Councilmember Spriggs as the voting delegate for the 2017 League Annual Conference Business Meeting and
2. The City Council directed the City Clerk to complete and submit a Voting Delegate/Alternate Form to the League’s office by Monday, July 31, 2017.

2.6 SYMPHONY BY THE SEA: RESOLUTION NO. 2017-7830 AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE SAN DIEGO UNIFIED PORT DISTRICT FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AND OTHER MATTERS AND RESOLUTION NO. 2017-7831 AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH SAN DIEGO EVENT PROS FOR AUDIO/VISUAL SERVICES. (1040-10)

Adopted Resolution Nos. 2017-7830 and 2017-7831.

2.7 RECEIVE REPORT ON AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES APPLIED TO THE FY2016 TRANSNET FUND. (0680-80)

The City Council reviewed and received the Report on Agreed-Upon Procedures Applied to the FY2016 Transnet Fund.

- 2.8 ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2017-7833 APPROVING THE MAYOR'S EXECUTION OF A LEGAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH SHER EDLING FOR SPECIALIZED LEGAL SERVICES. (0440-30)**
Adopted Resolution No. 2017-7833.
- 2.9 RESOLUTION NO. 2017-7836 CONTINUING THE PROCLAMATION OF A STATE OF LOCAL EMERGENCY RELATING TO IMPACTS FROM CROSS-BORDER POLLUTION IN THE TIJUANA RIVER. (0150-40 & 0210-26)**
Adopted Resolution No. 2017-7836.
- 2.10 RESOLUTION NO. 2017-7835 APPROVING A CHANGE ORDER WITH MICHAEL BAKER INTERNATIONAL FOR THE 2016 SEWER SYSTEM MASTER PLAN, TO INCLUDE THE SEWER MANHOLE VERIFICATION, FIELD SURVEY SERVICES & UPDATE OF THE CITY SEWER HYDRAULIC MODEL AND APPROPRIATE \$43,500 FROM THE SEWER ENTERPRISE ACCOUNT TO THIS PROJECT. (0830-70)**
Adopted Resolution No. 2017-7835.
- 2.11 ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 2017-7837 AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF IMPERIAL BEACH TO PARTICIPATE IN A REGIONAL WASTE TIRE ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO SOLID WASTE LOCAL ENFORCEMENT AGENCY AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO TO ACT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF IMPERIAL BEACH TO EXECUTE ALL NECESSARY GRANT DOCUMENTS FOR THE PURPOSE OF SECURING GRANT FUNDS AND TO IMPLEMENT AND CARRY OUT THE WORK SPECIFIED IN THE GRANT THROUGH JUNE 30, 2022. (0270-60)**
Adopted Resolution No. 2017-7837.
- 2.12 ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2017-7839 APPROVING AND ADOPTING A LETTER OF INTENT TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE MEMBERS OF THE CITY'S MISCELLANEOUS CLASSIFIED SERVICE, SERVICE EMPLOYEES INTERNATIONAL UNION, LOCAL 221. (0540-50)**
Adopted Resolution No. 2017-7839.
- 2.13 APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 2017-7838 FOR A RELOCATION PLAN FOR TENANTS OF 710-712 5TH STREET AND A BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR RELOCATION COSTS. (0830-10)**
Adopted Resolution No. 2017-7838.

ORDINANCES/INTRODUCTION & FIRST READING (3)

None.

PUBLIC HEARINGS (4.1)

- 4.1 JEFF KATZ ARCHITECTURE (APPLICANT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY [OWNER]); REGULAR COASTAL PERMIT (CP 170035), DESIGN REVIEW CASE (DRC 170036), SITE PLAN REVIEW (SPR 170037), AND CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION PURSUANT TO CEQA GUIDELINES 15332 (IN-FILL DEVELOPMENT) FOR A NEW SENIOR/COMMUNITY CENTER TO REPLACE THE EXISTING SENIOR CENTER FACILITIES AT 1075 8TH STREET (APN 626-400-71-00). MF 1205; RESOLUTION NO. 2017-7828. (0600-20)**

Mayor Dedina declared the public hearing open.

Assistant City Manager Dush provided history on the item.

Nancy Constandse, Architect/Project Manager for Jeff Katz Architecture, gave a PowerPoint presentation on the item.

Councilmember Spriggs expressed concern about whether or not this project will get built due to the cost which he foresees to be \$8M to \$10M. He suggested further development of the

design options for modularizing the design, cutting the design back to a \$3M level, or maybe proceeding with two designs at the same time. He spoke about having a project that the City can build, not a pie in the sky design that will not happen. He spoke about the need to be realistic and having checks and balances in place during the design phase to avoid ending with something cannot be built later on.

Assistant City Manager Dush responded the City's contract with Jeff Katz Architecture is finite in terms of the outreach process and the initial designs. Deviations to the contract such as alternative and/or parallel designs are outside the scope of the current contract but could be possible with the direction of City Council and additional funding. He explained that an iterative process was involved in creating the design.

Mayor Pro Tem Bragg thanked the architects for being in attendance and for being responsive to the desires of the community. She stressed that the design features were a direct result of the community's input, the design enhances the library, she supported the design of the lobby, and sees the project as a center-city development. She thanked the architects for their design, patience and for visiting other senior centers. She recognized them for achieving the goal that was set for them.

Nancy Dayton, representing seniors and Women's Club, appreciated the design, thanked the City for maintaining the current senior center, and asked the City to complete the project.

Baron Partlow expressed concern about the condition of the current senior center. He spoke in support of the proposed design and said that funding will be found.

Councilmember Patton thanked Mayor Pro Tem Bragg and the committee for going above and beyond and doing their due diligence to ensure they did the right job for the city. He spoke in support of the project and stated that although the proposed project has a larger footprint and is costly, the residents and seniors deserve it. He noted that the youth have been taken care of and now is the opportunity to take care of the seniors. He trusts that City Staff would not present a project if it could not be done. He stressed that the project can be done and will be done.

Councilmember West stated seniors are the fastest growing population and the City should build a bigger project. He also spoke about the opportunity to make the space between the library and senior center an event center. He recognized that the funding will be a challenge but it is also part of their job to find funding and he supported the project.

Mayor Pro Tem Bragg stated she was the Senior Center Program Coordinator prior to being elected. The current building was dedicated 45 years ago, in January 1974. She questioned when was the last time the City made a substantial investment in this community. The Senior Center is for the future and for generations to come and noted that the senior demographic is growing by leaps and bounds. She recognized Councilmember Spriggs' concerns and stressed that she would not bring a pie in the sky project forward if she didn't think it could happen.

City Manager Hall showed a graphic illustration of the Strategic Vision. He noted that the City has the revenues necessary to provide services to the community but noted that to build some of the desired projects such as the Senior Center is beyond the current revenue stream and to do the project would require action to increase revenues. He also explained that the City does not have the funding to build the Senior Center today.

Mayor Pro Tem Bragg commented that with the project design the City can secure grant funding for a new senior center.

Councilmember Spriggs stated this is a great looking project based on the input provided. He stated that he is a senior and appreciates the seniors in this community. He is in favor for a new senior center that can be done in the next 3-6 years. He questioned if the project can be done from a practical financial standpoint and in a reasonable timeframe. He also stated that the

concept is now a community center, but the City has not scoped what it wants in a community center and not just an expanded senior center. He stated that he is in favor of replacing and improving the Senior Center as soon as possible but he would have to abstain on the vote of the item because he has not seen how it will be built in a quick timeframe.

Mayor Dedina spoke about serving the people they represent, that they should be safe and have the highest quality of life as possible and stated the City will get the project done. He thanked Mayor Pro Tem Bragg, the committee and Jeff Katz Architecture for a thoughtful process.

Without dissention from City Council, Mayor Dedina closed the Public Hearing.

MOTION BY PATTON, SECOND BY WEST, TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2017-7828 REGULAR COASTAL PERMIT (CP 170035), DESIGN REVIEW CASE (DRC 170036), SITE PLAN REVIEW (SPR 170037), AND CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION PURSUANT TO CEQA GUIDELINES 15332 (IN-FILL DEVELOPMENT) FOR A NEW SENIOR/COMMUNITY CENTER TO REPLACE THE EXISTING SENIOR CENTER FACILITIES AT 1075 8TH STREET (APN 626-400-71-00). MF 1205. MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: PATTON, WEST, BRAGG, DEDINA
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: NONE
ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: SPRIGGS

REPORTS (5.1)

5.1 ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 2017-7834 REMOVING THE DOG LICENSING FEES FROM THE MASTER FEE SCHEDULE. (0390-55)

Emergency Services Coordinator Dean Roberts reported on the item.

Councilmember Patton suggested that the Humane Society mail out new licenses to make the process easy on registered dog owners.

In response to Mayor Pro Tem Bragg, Mr. Roberts reported on the transition process and interactions with the community. With regard to the 4th of July, most animals were reunited with owners and only 6 dogs went to the Humane Society.

MOTION BY WEST, SECOND BY SPRIGGS, TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2017-7834 REMOVING THE DOG LICENSING FEES FROM THE MASTER FEE SCHEDULE. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

I.B. REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY SUCCESSOR AGENCY REPORTS (6)

None.

ITEMS PULLED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR (IF ANY)

None.

ADJOURN REGULAR MEETING

Mayor Dedina adjourned the Regular Meeting at 8:17 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION MEETING CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Dedina called the Closed Session meeting to order at 8:18 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers present:	West, Patton, Spriggs
Councilmembers absent:	None
Mayor Pro Tem Present:	Bragg
Mayor Present:	Dedina
Staff Present:	City Manager Hall, City Attorney Lyon, City Clerk Kelly, Assistant City Manager Dush

CLOSED SESSION (1)

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Initiation of litigation pursuant to Govt. Code section 54956.9(d)(4) (1 case)

Mayor Dedina adjourned the meeting to Closed Session at 8:18 p.m. and he reconvened the meeting to Open Session at 9:38 p.m.

Reporting out of Closed Session, City Attorney Lyon announced City Council discussed Closed Session Item No.1, direction was given, and no reportable action was taken.

ADJOURN CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Dedina adjourned the Closed Session Meeting at 9:39 p.m.

_____/s/
Serge Dedina,
Mayor

_____/s/
Jacqueline M. Kelly, MMC
City Clerk